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BODIES FROM THE WRECK

Brakemen of a Runaway Train Had Life Crushed Out.

Wild Ride Down a Mountain—Engine Plowed Through Fourteen Cars Before Stopping.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 21.—The bodies of Stephen E. Corbin and Charles S. Nomer, brakemen of the runaway train which caused the fearful wreck here last night, were taken from the debris early this morning.

Nomer had been alive earlier and able to talk. It is thought his life was crushed out while the wreckage about him was being torn away. He was found crushed to a pulp.

Corbin was found in a car of brick. Death must have been instantaneous. Corbin made the wild ride down the mountain on top of a boxcar holding to the brake wheel.

Engineer Burket and Fireman Levett, in the runaway, were in their engine when the crash came. The engine plowed through fourteen cars before stopping and was turned completely around. Both men escaped injury, crawling out of a small hole in the wreckage comparatively unhurt.

The engineer's story of the ride down is thrilling in its details. When he knew he had lost control of his train he reversed his engine, but the big mogul, its wheels running backward, could not stop the terrific momentum of the train.

Conductor Orner and Flagman McGregor saved themselves by cutting off the catwalk a mile from the city. The loss will aggregate almost \$50,000. It was now today before the tracks were open for traffic.

ITALIAN LABORERS STRIKE.

Compel Five Hundred to Suspend Work on the Erie Canal.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 21.—There is a big strike on the Erie Canal on Section 7, among the Italians employed on the nine million-dollar improvement. Two hundred Italians refused to work for 12-12 cents an hour, and starting at Crane Brook, just east of Montezuma, ordered every man out of the canal. The men refused, they threatened to kill him with a shovel.

Five hundred were thus forced out. Word was telephoned Officer Bennett, of Woodport, to arrest every Italian he could lay his hands on. Bennett went to the strike, and when he attempted to arrest the ringleader the Italian tried to hit him over the head with a shovel. Bennett was too much for him, and he was taken to the lock-up. Serious trouble is expected today, as the entire gang of Italians has been discharged at Fort Byron and threaten trouble.

Tried Murder and Committed Suicide. Chicago, Dec. 21.—George Thurston shot Lizzie Parker three times, attempted to murder her sister and then sent a bullet into his own brain last night. The woman, it is thought, will recover, but Thurston will die. Thurston had been living with the Parker woman, but she left him because he abused her.

Miners Disinclined to Strike. Ispahing, Mich., Dec. 21.—The results of the secret ballot of the miners' union in progress for the last five days will be overwhelmingly against a strike. The union officers are almost alone in desiring a strike, and their attempts last August and now to get the men to walk out may disprove the union.

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SILVER SPLIT THREATENED

Republican Party Menaced by Certain Senators.

WOLCOTT MAY BE ONE OF THEM

Secretary Gage's Effort to Force Congress to Pass His Bill Has Opened the Eyes of Silver Senators Who Have Stood by McKinley. A Revolt Is Imminent.

The Republican party is being rent asunder on the currency question. The note of alarm has been sounded by Senator Chandler. That open letter of the New Hampshire statesman has set the Senate by the ears and matters heretofore talked of only in private between Republicans are being openly and publicly discussed. The Republican opponents of the single gold standard at last realize that they must come into the open and fight their own party if they would save it from utter ruin in the approaching election.

The St. Louis convention gave a solemn pledge in behalf of international bimetalism, and held out to the silver men a hope that the Republican party would deal fairly with the money problem, and reach a conclusion that would be just to all sections of the country, and, certainly, not inclined to that great element of the party which, believing in the free coinage of silver, did not abandon the party, but stood by both the candidate and the platform.

Then came the mission to Europe, appointed for the express purpose of agitating the subject of international bimetalism and sounding the leading nations on that question. What that commission accomplished and what it failed to do is a matter of common notoriety. Its members but recently returned to the United States, and no official utterance has yet come from them. The chairman, Senator Wolcott, is now at work upon the report to the President, and has promised to address the Senate in a semi-official manner after the holidays.

With the country at large still in the dark as to what may have been accomplished, and with the chairman hard at work on his report, the proposition to enact legislation, that will cement this country unequivocally to the gold standard comes with exceeding bad grace from the Administration. It is all very well for the President to intimate, as he does in his message, that he does not altogether approve the policy of Secretary Gage.

The President is responsible for that policy, for the reason that Secretary Gage, unchecked and unrebuked by the Administration, is pursuing it with vigor and seeking to force Congress to enact it into law. If the President wished it, a halt could easily be called, and Secretary Gage would be less persistent in his efforts. But the President is silent, and Mr. Gage, with his hand on the helm, is fast running the Republican party on the rocks.

Several Senators are up in arms and there are indications of a revolt among the McKinley Republicans who are really friendly to silver. Senator Wolcott is inclined, although he will say nothing for publication. In conversation with friends, however, he has intimated that if the designs of Secretary Gage are indorsed and the Administration urges that his bill be enacted, there will be no consistent course left for him to pursue but resign his seat in the Senate.

Although Mr. Wolcott stood by the straight Republicans in the last campaign, he never renounced his allegiance to silver. He honestly believed that something could be done for bimetalism; still believes so. Nevertheless Mr. Wolcott has intimated that if the Administration, before even considering his report, countenances the Gage plan, he will be compelled to accept it as evidence of the fact that it never intended to honestly work for international bimetalism and that the whole scheme was a cat's paw device to bring votes in the last campaign. To such deception Mr. Wolcott says he will not be a party.

If, therefore, the Administration continues in the course it appears to have marked out, the friends of Mr. Wolcott say he will cut loose from it, and he will probably do so in a sensational manner. Mr. Wolcott's status in Colorado last year is a precarious one. The silver Republicans of that State claim that he repudiated his former position and was entirely too loyal to McKinley. He has weakened himself very materially. His term will expire two years hence.

If the Administration can be charged with duplicity, and if Mr. Wolcott denounces the fraud and emphasizes his condemnation of its policy by inquiry from the Senate, it might happen that the people of Colorado would again place him on the pedestal where he once stood, and send him back to the Senate. As it now stands Mr. Wolcott has no earthly show of reelection. The course outlined here by Mr. Wolcott's friends is said to be more than probable, and it looks to be a good political game to play. Mr. Wolcott, in any event, has all to gain and nothing to lose.

There are other Senators who, like Mr. Wolcott, are becoming disgusted, and Secretary Gage persists in his present determination, the revolt will assume striking proportions. Senators Chandler, Fletcher, Carter, Clark, Warren, Shoup, Hatcher and men of that class cannot sit idly by and see any effort made to fasten the gold standard on the country. Each of these men is friendly to silver, and each believes the Republican platform is

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being misinterpreted by the Secretary of the Treasury. If the question becomes one for debate in the Senate, the discord in the Republican ranks will soon appear on the surface.

There is not a leading Republican who favors the agitation of the currency question. Even Mr. Hanna believes that what the country most needs is rest; a cessation of agitation of all sorts until such time as the revenues yield a surplus. Then, he thinks, will be time enough to take up other questions, but when that day arrives those gentlemen believe there will be no longer any demand for currency legislation and the dreams of the present Secretary of the Treasury will have vanished. If they have not there is much trouble in store for Republicans.

BRYAN'S FRIENDS ACTIVE.

Missouri Societies Are Said to Have Balked His Ambition.

Notwithstanding the fact that the nomination of Charles F. Bryan as minister to China has not been reported to the Senate, his friends are working hard to have the President stand by the young man.

The national societies, through their representatives, are said to be the power that has stepped in between Mr. Bryan and his ambition, and the report now is that they are looking around for a man of greater experience and judgment who will be entirely acceptable to the President.

COMBAT ANY CHANGE

The President Urged Not to Modify Civil Service Laws.

CABINET OFFICIALS OPPOSED

Mr. McKinley's Positive Assurance to Certain Senators That He Would Make Places for the Faithful Has Become a Boomerang—Mr. Brooks' Significant Interview.

The President's positive assurance to a number of Senators that he would materially modify the civil service law issued by Cleveland in May, 1896, while intended as a Christmas present to the undisciplined horde of office-seekers, has developed boomerang features which have attracted the White House many of the most influential Republicans in Congress who are laboring with the President to let the law alone.

Nearly all the Cabinet officers strenuously deprecate the proposed modification, and they have furnished the President statistics showing that an average of three Republicans are protected by the Cleveland order to a single Democrat, and that the 5,000 vacancies it is proposed to make will not be a drop in the bucket to the half million, powerfully indorsed pie hunters.

Secretaries Long and Alger are vigorously combating the change. They declare that Democrats contribute only 20 per cent of the force in their Departments, and they want no change. Congressmen whose districts are close also oppose modifications. They fear the retention of the fall of the enormous proportion of men who will be disappointed if the patronage bars are partially let down, for now they can blame the condition of the law and not the President.

Opponents of the civil service law are preparing for battle and they propose to open fire as soon as Congress convenes. A bill to be introduced at that time is now being prepared by the committee appointed at the caucus of anti-civil service Republicans. It will propose important modifications in the law.

Pension Commissioner Evans' statement that he could drop 100 clerks without impairing the service of the Department, and that the service of the Department would not be impaired, and the reductions in the salaries of clerks over seventy years of age in the Treasury Department are all looked upon as signs of a coming change. Representative Brooks, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the House Committee on Civil Service Reform, spent some time with the President yesterday, discussing the possibility of legislation by Congress amendment of the existing civil service law and the advisability of modifications by the Executive. Mr. Brooks, when he was today, declined to go into details regarding his conversation with the President, but he felt free to say that the President was considering what exceptions he could with propriety and safety make to the Executive orders of his predecessor extending the classified service.

From Mr. Brooks' utterances it is evident that he does not think the agitation in Congress will result in any legislation inimical to the civil service law. If, indeed, organized in all done, he believes, with the President, that a number of places included in the classified service by the orders of Mr. Cleveland should be excepted, not in order that the Democrats who are presumably filling them may be superseded by Republicans, but because in the nature of things these places are not of a kind that can profitably be included in the classified lists. Mr. Brooks strongly deprecates any action by Congress on the question, contending that it is one with which the Executive should be left to deal exclusively. He believes that when the President has had time to examine the question he will take action which will be satisfactory to the party and to the country, without in any way doing violence to his well-known belief in genuine civil service reform.

Lodge Election Declared Illegal.

Baltimore, Dec. 21.—The case of the election of officers of the Supreme Lodge, Golden Chain, at Atlanta, Ga., May 5, 1896, was decided yesterday by Judge Dennis in the circuit court. The judge held that as certain qualified delegates from this State were excluded from participation in the election, the election was illegal, and an act of usurpation on the part of the grand officers to perpetuate themselves in power. The grand lodge will take an appeal.

France Keeps Her Eyes Open.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The French cruiser, Jauregui, has been ordered to sail from Brest for Chinese waters to strengthen the French squadron there.

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LINARES' CAMPAIGN HALTS

Small Cuban Force Prevents Him From Supporting Pando.

COULD NOT BE DISLODGED

Pando's Force on Cauto River Attacked by Roloff—Firing Continued for Seven Hours, Insurgents Occupying Both Banks—Spanish General Sends for Reinforcements.

New York, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Journal from Havana says that Gen. Roloff and Col. Quera, with a force of fifty men, have frustrated the attempt of Gen. Linares to lead his heavy column to support the movement against Garcia. The Cubans strongly resisted a passage and defied all efforts of the Spanish troops to dislodge them.

Unless Garcia attacks coast towns and courts battles at great odds nothing can menace the safety of the Cuban republic and its representatives. Even the Spaniards admit that they cannot pacify the east of Cuba.

A courier from Bayamo brings news of an important engagement at Luna Blanca and Camponahual, on Cauto River. The Cuban Gen. Roloff, with 2,000 men, attacked the Spanish forces and land forces of Gen. Pando, who left here with two small warships, various barges and troops with orders to recapture the town of Embarradero, and re-enforce the city garrisons at Bayamo.

Firing continued seven hours, the insurgents occupying the banks of the river on either side. It is reported that the Spanish losses aggregate 136. Pando sent a gusano to Manzanillo for reinforcements and additional artillery. It is claimed Calixto Garcia is marching to reinforce Roloff. There is great anxiety in Havana.

A GOLGOTHA IN MEXICO.

Wonderful Discovery of Human Bones in a Prehistoric Region.

City of Mexico, Dec. 21.—A letter just received here from William Nevins, the New York archeologist, who is making excavations in a prehistoric city in the state of Tlaxcala, says that he has just made a surprising discovery of a layer or deposit of human bones from ten inches to seven feet from the surface, plainly visible on the side of a barranca for fully 300 feet, and which appears to continue for several thousand feet more.

This wonderful golgotha is near the southern boundary of the prehistoric city of Omilteme.

GUESTS AWAKENED BY FIRE

Auditorium, Hotel and Theater at Kansas City Burned.

One Hundred and Five People Were Gotten Out Safely—The Loss \$500,000.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 21.—The Auditorium Hotel and Theater were destroyed by fire this morning. The loss approximately \$500,000. The theater was the largest and finest west of Chicago, and would seat 5,200 people. It was built in 1887 by Col. George W. Warder, the poet, and cost \$350,000. Since then it was a six-story brick building, with stone front, 150 by 140 feet. Alex. Frazer bought the property last spring from the National Bank of Commerce of this city. The consideration was given as \$400,000.

One-half of the structure was a fashionable hotel. When the fire was discovered at 1 a. m. there were 105 guests asleep in the building. All got out safely, but many lost their clothing and jewelry. The managers of the hotel say the fire was caused by a gas leak from a stove in the building. The fire was started by the crossing of electric light wires.

The house will not be rebuilt. It has too doled everybody. The only State Democratic ticket since the war that has met defeat was nominated in the Auditorium in 1894. The house was built in sixty days during the boom. Booth and Barrett opened it before the roof was on, a canvas keeping out the weather.

Stolen Goods Recovered.

Lieut. Smith and Policemen Wilkinson and Proctor, of Alexandria, last night recovered about 400 pounds of brass in the form of boxes stolen from the Southern Railway Company. The robbers have extended over a period of several weeks, and until tonight discharged employees of the road were accused of the theft. The officers found the plunder in an abandoned house in the northwestern portion of the town and have information which will lead to the arrest of the guilty parties.

Indigo From Coal Tar.

London, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Vienna says it is reported that the long-anticipated artificial production of indigo has been achieved at an anthracite factory at Ludwigshafen, on Lake Constance, and that it is prepared very cheaply from coal tar. If this report is true an important branch of British trade will be seriously threatened.

Bible House Drummer a Suicide. Troy, N. Y., Dec. 21.—O. M. Ingalls, a drummer, representing the World's Bible House, of Philadelphia, committed suicide at the Eagle Hotel at Lansingburg last night by shooting himself in the right temple. It is believed that his home is in Boston. The body awaits a claimant.

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FIRE ON THE BANCROFT

Turkish Guns Assail the Cruiser at Smyrna.

TURKEY MAKES AN APOLOGY

In Addition Two Turkish Officers Are Dismissed and Sentenced to a Week's Arrest—The Vessel Had Stopped Where the Customary Signals Were Made.

London, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Constantinople says the United States cruiser Bancroft was fired on by the Turkish harbor on the night of December 4. The Yankee ship was greeted with a blank cannon shot and rifle bullet. A boat from the cruiser sent shoreward was also fired on and compelled to return.

Admiral Selfridge complained to United States Minister Angell, who demanded the punishment of the guilty parties and an apology from the Turkish government, which was given on Sunday last.

In addition, two Turkish officers were dismissed, and sentenced to a week's arrest.

The entry of ships into Smyrna at night is prohibited; but on this occasion the lamps in the outer lighthouses were still burning, and the Bancroft stopped when the requisite signals were made.

While officials of the Navy and State Departments will not say anything of the firing upon the Bancroft by the Turkish garrison at Smyrna on December 4, it is known that the matter was fully reported to this Government at the time and the Department of State has since been informed by Minister Angell that the Turkish government has made the most ample apology and ordered the punishment of the offending official in response to a most imperative demand from this Government.

The departments have known of the matter for the past two weeks and have been in active communication with our minister at Constantinople, but for some reason kept the information as a state secret until the incident could be considered as closed.

In spite of the reticence of the officials of both departments, the affair has created a good deal of excitement among those cognizant of the details.

GAGE IGNORES CHANDLER.

The Secretary Absolutely Refuses to Reply to the Senator.

Senator Chandler's desire to get into a controversy with Secretary Gage will prove to be a failure, for the astute financier does not propose to let the mischief-making Chandler make political capital out of him.

Secretary Gage, as a matter of fact, treats with contempt the open letter of Senator Chandler on the financial question, and that is the only attention he will give. Mr. Gage, it is said, in common language on the letter, merely remarked that he did not consider that the views entertained by Senator Chandler represented the sentiment of the Republican Senators.

"If they agree with the Senator from New Hampshire," he said, "I have no objection to it. I intend to pay no attention to Mr. Chandler's remarks. I am too busy a man to enter into personal controversy with him, as I judge to be the object of his attack on me. The current business of the Treasury Department is sufficient to engage my constant attention, without going into the field of debate."

KIRK THE CORRESPONDENT.

Richard Mandelbaum Begins Suit for Divorce From His Wife.

New York, Dec. 21.—The explanation of Richard Mandelbaum, refusing to press the charge against J. Waldere Kirk, whom he accused of shooting him at the Hotel Grand, on November 13, was disclosed this morning, when it became known that Mandelbaum had begun a suit against his wife for an absolute divorce.

In his affidavit he names Kirk as co-defendant, and alleges that the act of infidelity occurred on the very night on which the Western dude shot plaintiff. The divorce suit not only explains Mandelbaum's mysterious absence from the police court, but it also explains why the shooting came to take place.

The papers have been served upon Mrs. Mandelbaum, and she has filed her answer to the charges. The case will come up for trial in the supreme court on January 3. Mandelbaum is now in California, and his wife is keeping her whereabouts very quiet.

TEXAS HAS A SLEET STORM.

Poles and Wires Were Prostrated Throughout the State.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 21.—Texas, telegraphically speaking, has been cut off from the outside world practically two full days and nights. No such prostration of poles and wires ever before has been known since electrical enterprises entered the State. It is because of the worst sleet storm that the State ever saw. Agricultural interests have been benefited by the storm.

Hooiers Promise a Lynching.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 21.—If Prince Waldecker, a colored boy who tried to pass a forged check here yesterday, and then tried to kill an officer who attempted to arrest him, is apprehended, there will be a lynching. A crowd of men is searching for the fellow. Great excitement prevails.

Found Dead in the Flames.

Danville, Ill., Dec. 21.—The Golden Rule dry goods store was destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss will be \$96,000. Mary Reed, was overcome by smoke and rushed into the flames. She was burned to death. Several other employees were injured by jumping from the windows.

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QUINCY LIKELY TO WIN.

People of Boston Voting Today for Mayoralty Candidates.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—Today the people of Boston are voting for their mayoralty candidates. The Democrats already are claiming a majority of 7,000 for Mayor Quincy, and the Republican committee are not slow in making the same claim.

The registration is 102,800, which is high-water mark. It is not probable that over 85,000 votes will be polled. The size of the Riley vote looms in the prophets. The Democrats claim they will win, even if he polls 10,000 votes. There have been a score or more of arrests in different wards of repeaters and ringers this morning.

GUILTY OF CARELESSNESS.

Nevada Bank Held Responsible for Not Discovering a Forged Draft.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Judge Sewell yesterday held that the Crocker-Woolworth Bank was entitled to recover \$22,000 from a Nevada bank, which it paid two years ago upon a draft forged by a gang of notorious Eastern crooks. Carl Becker and James Cregar, who did the forgery, have been sent to State prison for life.

The judge holds that the Nevada bank was guilty of carelessness in not investigating the status of the forger who deposited the check and that the Crocker-Woolworth Bank paid the money in good faith.

HANNA SAW MR. MCKINLEY

The Senator Made a Brief White House Visit.

Members of Senate Foreign Relations Committee Were in Conference With the President.

Senator Hanna paid a brief visit to the President this morning. Mr. Hanna was congratulated by a number of his legislative associates on having recovered entirely from his recent illness. He certainly looks well, but was as much as an ostrich when the subject of the Ohio contest was mentioned. Evidently the latest reports from Columbus to the effect that desperate efforts are being made to defeat him for Senator have not given him visible pangs of feelings.

Sensors Callum and Frye, both members of the Foreign Relations Committee, went to the White House together this morning. They were in conference with the President for twenty minutes or more. Senators Elihu, Baker and Fairbanks and Representatives Shelden, Berry and Parker of New Jersey were among the other callers. It was a rare day at the mansion for the ordinary office-seeker. The sign on Secretary Porter's door that no visitors are received on Cabinet days caused the applicants for positions to make themselves scarce. The number of place-hunters has rapidly decreased since the President sent in the last batch of consular nominations.

The Agnew-Waddell-Brady faction of Virginia Republicans are exerting all the influence possible to induce the President to confer upon Gen. T. Y. Grouser, of Norfolk, a good position. They preferred him to be provided for in the consular service, but there is probably nothing left that he could be induced to accept in the shape of a consulate.

Early in January a marshal for the eastern district of Virginia will be appointed, and the belief is that Morgan Treat, of West Point, who trains with the Agnew people, will receive the appointment.

THE HAWLEY BILL TO PASS.

It Will Increase the Army by Two Regiments of Artillery.

An agreement has been reached between the leaders of the Senate and House which practically insures the passage of the Hawley bill to increase the Army by two regiments of artillery. At the beginning of the session it was doubtful whether the measure would meet with favor on account of the expenditure required to carry the scheme into effect.

Petitions of numerous commercial bodies in favor of the increase have been largely instrumental in causing the change in the opposition. The two regiments are absolutely necessary to insure proper guards for the fortifications on the coasts of the United States, and the spirit of patriotism among the economists has triumphed over their qualms concerning the expenditures required.

TERRELL'S REMAINS BURIED.

Immense Crowd at the Funeral of the Actor.

London, Dec. 21.—The funeral of William Terris, the actor who was murdered at the stage door of the Adelphi Theater by a former actor named Ansell, alias Prince, on December 16, took place at Brompton today. The scene at the burial was almost unprecedented in respect of the great attendance of sincere mourners. Most of the members of the theatrical profession in London, including all of the prominent actresses, actors and managers, were present. There was a procession of more than 100 carriages.

The cemetery was packed with people from end to end. It is estimated that the crowd comprised 40,000 persons.

SUFFOCATED BY GAS.

A Connecticut Matron Found Dead in Her Bed.

Stamford, Conn., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Wilbur E. Scofield, thirty-eight, wife of a well-known dry goods merchant, was found dead late last night in an upper room of her residence. She had been suffocated by gas. Mrs. Scofield was found lying upon a bed. In her mouth was a tube connected with the gas fixtures. She had been dead several hours.

The Scofields lived happily, and have one son, aged eight. It is thought the woman was insane. She is a sister of George W. Jackson, an officer of the Typographical Union in New York.

SUICIDE OF MISS HERBERT

Former Secretary's Daughter Jumps From a Window.

THE FALL BROUGHT DEATH

Before Doing It She Slashed Her Wrists With a Pair of Scissors. An Accident in September Last Resulted in Permanent Injury and Melancholia.

Miss Lelia Herbert, the only unmarried daughter of ex-Secretary of the Navy William A. Herbert, who presided over his house during the Cleveland Administration, committed suicide about 10 o'clock this morning by jumping from a third-story window at her residence, No. 1313 New Hampshire avenue.

She has been ill since last September as a result of a fall from her horse in the



Miss Lelia Herbert.

country near this city, and was recently put in the care of a nurse. She has been suffering from melancholia as a result of the accident, which promised to make her a cripple for life.

For weeks past she had been considerably worse. Yesterday she became more melancholy than before, and the nurse watched her carefully.

While in a despondent mood she often talked of suicide, and less than a week ago she expressed a wish to die rather than suffer as she was suffering.

This morning the nurse noticed Miss Herbert's deranged condition and endeavored to cheer her, but without result. She expected a letter from her father, who has been traveling in Alabama, and was much worried when she did not get it. It was about 9 o'clock when the nurse left the room for a moment. Miss Herbert instantly procured a small pair of scissors and frantically dug the blades into her left wrist.